

Rep. Barry Fleming R-121

Biography

Representative Barry A. Fleming is the founding partner of the law firm of Fleming Nelson, LLP, in Augusta, Georgia. He previously served as a partner for 11 years at the Augusta firm of Fulcher Hagler LLP. In addition to his law practice, he served as Chairman of the Columbia County Board of Commissioners until 2002, when he was first elected to the Georgia House of Representatives. At the start of his second term in office, his fellow Republicans elected him Majority Whip. Along with his service in legislative leadership, he passed such bills as Georgia's photo ID law for voting, and chaired the committee overseeing the reform of Georgia's tort laws. He also passed numerous bills dealing with the operation of Georgia's criminal justice system, and received the Guardian of Justice Award from the Georgia District Attorney's Association. For his staunch support of businesses and job development he received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Georgia Chamber of Commerce. His strong pro-family positions earned him the Legislator of the Year Award from the Georgia Family Council. He was re-elected to the House of Representatives again in 2012.

Beside his law practice, Rep. Fleming serves on the Audit Committee of the Board of Georgia Health Sciences University, the Board of Trinity Hospital, the CSRA Regional Commission, and the Georgia Medical Center Authority. He was also recently appointed by Governor Deal to the Public Defender's Oversight Board for the Augusta Judicial Circuit.

Rep. Fleming is a double graduate of the University of Georgia, receiving his undergraduate degree in 1988, and earning his law degree in 1994. He, his wife Paige, and their son Zach reside in Harlem, Georgia. Rep. Fleming served as Chairman of the Deacons, and lay leader for the AWANA programs at Harlem Baptist Church. Rep. Fleming is also a Gideon, and a lifetime member of the NRA.